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Hajime HIRAMATSU et al.

Application No.: 10/522,789

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Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner that the above-identified application is a U.S. national phase application under 35 U.S.C. 371 of international patent application number PCT/JP03/09523, which claims priority to U.S. provisional application number 60/398,761. The attached document is a certified English

translation of U.S. provisional application number 60/398,761. Applicants wish to make this document of record in the above-identified application.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed document and indicate that it was considered by making appropriate notations on the attached.

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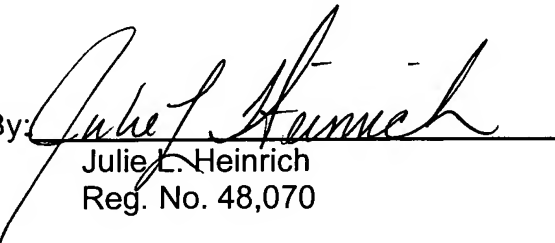
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